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SUBJ: ADDITIONAL CAMBODIAN ORPHANS

CAMBODIA-B NO. 21

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1. WE CONTACTED WORLD VISION RELIEF ORGANIZATION (WVRO) HERE IN BANGKOK EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING. ADVISED THEM THAT ADDITIONAL ORPHANS, SOME OF WHOM ALREADY IDENTIFIED BY THEIR KHMER REPRESENTATIVE IN PHNOM PENH, COULD BE FLOWN OUT OF PHNOM PENH BY WVRO, AS HAD BEEN OFFERED BY WVRO, BUT WE STRONGLY ADVISED THAT KHMER EMBASSY BANGKOK BE ASKED TO CONTACT GKR PHNOM PENH TO ENSURE THAT ORPHANS ACTUALLY WERE PROCESSED AND READY TO FLY OUT AND THAT GKR WOULD ENSURE SAFETY OF PLANE. (MINISTER KONG ORN IS AWARE THAT RELEASE MUST BE SECURED FROM ANY SURVIVING RELATIVE.)

2. WORLD VISION, LATE YESTERDAY, WAS ADVISED BY SUISSINDO, AGENT FOR CASI, WHICH WAS TO HAVE FURNISHED PLANE TO WVRO, THAT NO CASI PLANE WOULD FLY INTO POCHENTONG GIVEN THE INSECURE CONDITIONS THERE.

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3. BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT FOREGOING MAY BE ACADEMIC.

WE ADVISED YESTERDAY OF SERIOUS DETERIORATION OF SITUATION AROUND POCHENTONG AIRFIELD. ROAD BETWEEN PHNOM PENH AND POCHENTONG WAS CUT TEMPORARILY BY KC FORCES. ALTHOUGH WE ADVISED ROAD IS OPEN TODAY, U.S. MILITARY ADVICE HERE IS THAT NO U.S. PLANES SHOULD LAND AT POCHENTONG.

4. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE DO NOT BELIEVE USG SHOULD OFFICIALLY SPONSOR CONTINUED ORPHAN AIRLIFT, OR ENCOURAGE CCRO OR GKR CHARTER. HOWEVER, YOU MAY WISH CONTACT ICRC TO DETERMINE WHETHER ICRC COULD SPONSOR SUCH AN AIR-LIFT. ASSURANCES WITH RESPECT TO SAFETY ICRC PLANE SHOULD BE SECURED FROM CAMBODIAN AUTHORITIES FROM BOTH SIDES. MASTERS

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